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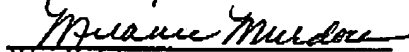
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1.	09/903,268	July 11, 2001	Method and Apparatus for Signalling in a Shared Protection Ring Architecture
2.	09/858,099	May 15, 2001	Common Protection Architecture for Optical Network

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	G	US	5903370	05/1999	Johnson	
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